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8	BEFORE THE
9	BOARD OF REGISTERED NURSING
10	DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA
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12	In the Matter of the Accusation Against: Case No. 2611-374
13	JULIE ADKINS, a.k.a. JULIE ANN ADKINS, a.k.a. JULIE ANN CLANCY
14	1431 Centerpoint Boulevard, Suite 110 Knoxville, TN 37932 A C C U S A T I O N
15	Registered Nurse License No. 696823
16	Respondent.
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18	Complainant alleges:
19	<u>PARTIES</u>
20	1. Louise R. Bailey, M.Ed., RN (Complainant) brings this Accusation solely in her
21	official capacity as the Interim Executive Officer of the Board of Registered Nursing, Department
22	of Consumer Affairs.
23	2. On or about February 7, 2007, the Board of Registered Nursing issued Registered
24	Nurse License Number 696823 to Julie Adkins, also known as Julie Ann Adkins, also known as
25	Julie Ann Clancy (Respondent). The Registered Nurse License was in full force and effect at all
26	times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on December 31, 2010,
27	unless renewed.
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action."

JURISDICTION

- 3. This Accusation is brought before the Board of Registered Nursing (Board), Department of Consumer Affairs, under the authority of the following laws. All section references are to the Business and Professions Code unless otherwise indicated.
- 4. Section 2750 of the Business and Professions Code (Code) provides, in pertinent part, that the Board may discipline any licensee, including a licensee holding a temporary or an inactive license, for any reason provided in Article 3 (commencing with section 2750) of the Nursing Practice Act.
- 5. Section 2764 of the Code provides, in pertinent part, that the expiration of a license shall not deprive the Board of jurisdiction to proceed with a disciplinary proceeding against the licensee or to render a decision imposing discipline on the license. Under section 2811, subdivision (b) of the Code, the Board may renew an expired license at any time within eight years after the expiration.
- 6. Section 118, subdivision (b) of the Code provides, in pertinent part, that the expiration of a license shall not deprive the Board of jurisdiction to proceed with a disciplinary action during the period within which the license may be renewed, restored, reissued or reinstated.

STATUTORY/REGULATORY PROVISIONS

7. Section 2761 of the Code states:

"The board may take disciplinary action against a certified or licensed nurse or deny an application for a certificate or license for any of the following:

- "(a) Unprofessional conduct, which includes, but is not limited to, the following:
- "(4) Denial of licensure, revocation, suspension, restriction, or any other disciplinary action
- against a health care professional license or certificate by another state or territory of the United States, by any other government agency, or by another California health care professional
- licensing board. A certified copy of the decision or judgment shall be conclusive evidence of that

DRUGS

8. "Soma" is a dangerous drug pursuant to Code section 4022. Soma is a trade name for the substance Carisoprodol.

COST RECOVERY

9. Section 125.3 of the Code provides, in pertinent part, that the Board may request the administrative law judge to direct a licentiate found to have committed a violation or violations of the licensing act to pay a sum not to exceed the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of the case.

FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Unprofessional Conduct – May 31, 2007 Tennessee Consent Order) (Bus. & Prof. Code §2761(a)(4))

- 10. Respondent has subjected her registered nurse license to disciplinary action under Code section 2761, subdivision (a)(4) in that on or about May 31, 2007, in a disciplinary action before the State of Tennessee Department of Health, Board of Nursing (Tennessee Board), Case Number 200502058, the Tennessee Board entered a Consent Order ordering that Respondent's registered nurse license be probated. The Consent Order also required Respondent to: (1) be evaluated by the Tennessee Professional Assistance Program (TNPAP); (2) if the evaluation recommended a contract with TNPAP, sign a contract and follow any recommendations of TNPAP; (3) if a contract with TNPAP was recommended, have her license probated concurrently with the TNPAP contract; (4) if a contract with TNPAP was not required, have her license probated for a minimum of three years; (5) while on probation, provide quarterly self reports; (6) while on probation, provide quarterly employer reports; and (7) while on probation, limit her practice of nursing to Tennessee and not practice in any party state without prior authorization from both the State of Tennessee and the other party-state boards.
- 11. The underlying conduct supporting the Tennessee Board's disciplinary action is that in or about 2005, while employed by St. Mary's Ambulatory Surgery Center in Knoxville, Tennessee, Respondent admitted that she wrote several fraudulent prescriptions for narcotics using a doctor's name and his Drug Enforcement Administration number. On or about June 7,

2006, Respondent was convicted of simple possession of a controlled substance and possession of soma in the Criminal Court of Knox County, Tennessee. Respondent's sentence was suspended upon payment of a fine and costs, and Respondent was placed on unsupervised probation.

SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Unprofessional Conduct - April 7, 2009 Pennsylvania Final Adjudication and Order) (Bus. & Prof. Code §2761(a)(4))

- 12. Complainant realleges the allegations contained in paragraphs 10 and 11 above, and incorporates them by reference as if fully set forth here.
- 13. Respondent has subjected her registered nurse license to disciplinary action under Code section 2761(a)(4) in that on or about April 7, 2009, in a disciplinary action before the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania State Board of Nursing (Pennsylvania Board), Docket Number 2256-51-07, File Number 07-51-10304, the Pennsylvania Board entered a Final Adjudication and Order denying Respondent's application for licensure by endorsement/temporary practice permit.
- 14. The underlying conduct supporting the Pennsylvania Board's disciplinary action is that on or about October 18, 2006, Respondent submitted an application for licensure by endorsement/temporary practice permit (application) to the Pennsylvania Board. In her application, Respondent admitted that she had been convicted of simple possession of a Schedule III controlled substance in the Criminal Court of Knox County, Tennessee. Respondent also admitted that she wrote fraudulent prescriptions for narcotics using a doctor's name while employed by St. Mary's Ambulatory Surgery Center in Knoxville, Tennessee. Pursuant to the Consent Agreement entered by the Tennessee Board on or about May 31, 2007, Respondent entered a three-year probationary agreement with the TNPAP.
- 15. By letter dated September 20, 2007, the Pennsylvania Board notified Respondent that her application was denied due to her guilty plea relating to narcotics possession and her prior discipline by the Tennessee Board. The Pennsylvania Board did not receive a request for a hearing from Respondent, and on or about November 7, 2007, the Pennsylvania Board entered a Final Order denying Respondent's application. On or about August 11, 2008, the Pennsylvania Board issued an Order Vacating the Final Order and re-opening Respondent's file because